

REMARKS

An Office Action was mailed on May 31, 2007. Claims 1-10 are pending.

Claims 1-5 and 7-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Murphy et al. (U.S. Patent 6,282,362).

Claim 1, as amended, requires “receiving from a communication unit associated to said object signals comprising information on said object transmitted from said object via a wireless connection;”

Thus, the communications unit transmits signals from said object via a wireless connection.

In Murphy et al., as set forth in FIG. 2 and as described on page 3, of the Office Action of May 31, 2007, the analogous communication unit is defined as the GPS. The GPS transmits signals that are received by the camera component. Information about the object 320 is determined based on the GPS signals. The camera component in Murphy et al. does not receive any signals that are transmitted from the object 320. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 and the claims dependent thereon are not taught by Murphy et al.

The Manual for Patenting Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 2131 clearly sets forth the standard for rejecting a claim under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). “A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference.” (MPEP § 2131, quoting Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed Cir. 1987)). “The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the ...claim.” (MPEP § 2131, quoting Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co., 9 USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989)). “The elements must be arranged as required by the claim, but this is not an *ipsissimis verbis* test, i.e. identity of terminology is not required.” (MPEP § 2131, citing In re Bond, 15 USPQ2d 1566 (Fed. Cir. 1990)).

In this case, Murphy et al. fails to teach the claimed invention as required by the MPEP for the reason set forth above.

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 9 and 10 are allowable over Murphy et al. for the same reasoning set forth with respect to Claim 1. Applicant further notes that the Office

Action did not specifically identify support in the Murphy et al. disclosure for the “communication unit” from Claims 9 and 10, nor did the Office Action identify any support whatsoever for the “transmitting component” from Claim 10. Furthermore, Applicant respectfully submits that new dependent claims 11 and 12 (see page 5, lines 29-34 of the originally-filed application), are also allowable as the cited art fails to teach or reasonably suggest “wherein said communication unit continually transmits said information on said object.”

Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Murphy et al. in view of Wilska et al. (U.S. Patent 6,427,078). Claim 6 is believed to be allowable through dependency from Claim 1, which is believed to be allowable over Murphy et al. for the reasons set forth above.

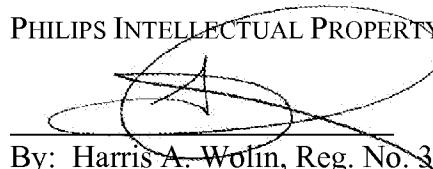
For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

An earnest effort has been made to be fully responsive to the Examiner's objections. In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that claims 1-12 are in condition for allowance. Passage of this case to allowance is earnestly solicited. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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Respectfully submitted,

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